

## Message Text

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TAGS: PGOV, PINT, TH  
SUBJ: JAPANESE ARRESTED ON LESE MAJESTE CHARGE

REF: BANGKOK 3100

1. THE NATION REVIEW REPORTED ON DECEMBER 10 THAT KIYOSHI  
KITAJIMA, A JAPANESE TOURIST, WAS ARRESTED ON DEC. 9 ON  
CHARGES OF LESE MAJESTE. HE ALLEGEDLY SPIT IN THE  
DIRECTION OF THE MOVIE SCREEN IN THE PRESIDENT THEATER  
WHILE THE PORTRAIT OF THE KING WAS ON THE SCREEN.

2. AS REPORTED IN REFTEL LESE MAJESTE IS TAKEN SERIOUSLY  
IN THAILAND. IT IS ALSO A SERIOUS, CRIMINAL OFFENSE  
AND CARRIES A MAXIMUM PANALTY OF 15 YEARS IMPRISON-  
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